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SUBJECT: STATUS OF PPP AND PNC AT CUBAN PARTY CONGRESS

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1. IN OPENING REMARKS TO FIRST CONGRESS OF PCC ON 17
DECEMBER RAUL CASTRO, SECOND SECRETARY, WELCOMED DELEGATES
AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE AS A CLEAR EXPRESSION OF ... INTERNATIONAL SOLIDAR-
ITY 85 DELEGATIONS OF COMMUNIST PARTIES, NATIONAL
DEMOCRATIC PARTIES, NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, AS
WELL AS GROUPS OF PROMINENT AND PRESTIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS
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HAVE ACCEPTED OUR FRATERNAL INVITATIONS AND ARE HERE

TODAY. UNQUOTE.

RAUL PROFFERED SALUTATIONS TO ALL 85 "COMRADE" DELEGATIONS BY NAME. BOTH GUYANESE PARTIES WERE READ OFF IN FOLLOWING JUXTAPOSITION:

QUOTE: ... TO THE DELEGATION OF THE PEOPLE'S PROGRESSIVE PARTY OF GUYANA CHAIRED BY COMRADE RASA KAWAN (SIC);

TO THE DELEGATION OF THE PEOPLE'S NATIONAL CONGRESS CHAIRED BY COMRADE HUBERT JACK; ... UNQUOTE

OBSERVERS WERE LISTED SEPARATELY AND INCLUDED PNP OF JAMAICA LED BY DONALD DUNCAN.

2. CONCURRENT WITH CONGRESS, SEPARATE SOLIDARITY CEREMONIES WERE HELD FOR MOST OF THE 85 DELEGATIONS. PPP AND PNC WERE FETED IN A JOINT CEREMONY AT HAVANA'S INSTITUTE OF ANIMAL SCIENCES RECEIVING "DEMONSTRATIONS OF SOLIDARITY WITH THIS BROTHER NATION" FROM STAFF. BOTH KARRAM AND JACK SPOKE AT PROCEEDINGS.

3. PPP AND PNC BOTH ACCEPTED FRATERNAL INVITATIONS TO ATTEND CONGRESS AND WERE TREATED WITH PRECISE EQUALITY IN RAUL'S WELCOME SPEECH AS WELL AS IN OFFICIAL PRESS COVERAGE. SISCO

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